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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97,  
applicants wish to call the attention of the Examiner to the  
following documents:

U.S. Patents

Knee et al. U.S. Patent 5,589,892 (12/31/96)  
Hendricks et al. U.S. Patent 5,659,350 (8/19/97)  
Lawler et al. U.S. Patent 5,699,107 (12/16/97)

Foreign Patent Documents

EP 0 721 253 A2 (7/10/96)  
WO 97/13368 (4/10/97)  
WO 98/43183 (10/1/98)  
WO 99/01984 (1/14/99)  
WO 99/04561 ((1/28/99)

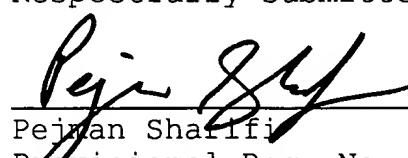
These documents are listed on the accompanying Form PTO-1449 and copies are enclosed herewith.

Applicants also wish to bring the Examiner's attention to U.S. patent application Serial No. 08/987,740, filed December 9, 1997, U.S. patent application Serial No. 09/330,792, filed June 11, 1999, U.S. patent application Serial No. 09/034,934, filed March 4, 1998, U.S. provisional patent application serial No. 60/097,538, filed August 21, 1998, and U.S. provisional patent application serial No. 60/107,802, filed November 10, 1998.

Therefore, it is respectfully requested that the documents be (1) fully considered by the Patent and Trademark Office during the examination of this application; and (2) printed on any patent which may issue on this application. Applicant requests that a copy of Form PTO-1449, as considered and initialed by the Examiner, be returned with the next communication.

Consideration of the foregoing in relation to this patent application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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